



*City of Shoreline*

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Hello C.I.T. Camp Participant:

You have signed up to join us for **C.I.T Camp - three fun filled and leadership oriented weeks from Monday August 5<sup>th</sup> - Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Here are a few things that you and your parents should know about the trip.

- Drop off at 8:30am
- Pick-up at 2:30pm

Pick up and Drop off is at the **Spartan Recreation Center** (202 NE 185<sup>th</sup> St. Shoreline, WA 98133).

Monday through Wednesday we will do training and teambuilding activities as well as acting as official Counselors in Training with Camp Shoreline. **The counselor in training program is for teens that are interested and willing to take on a leadership role.** Time at C.I.T. camp is split between learning the skills and strategies of a camp counselor and time using these skills as an assistant in day camp.

*Thursdays are our adventure days.* We will be going on various trips around the Shoreline Area. You will get to decide as a group what you want to do on these days, including but not limited to trips to Wild Waves, local beaches and/or rock climbing!

Things to bring to camp the first day:

- **2013 City of Shoreline Liability Form** (if you don't already have one on file)

**Things to bring everyday:**

- Closed Toe Shoes
- Water Bottle
- Sack lunch
- **Sunscreen - we will be outside a lot**
- A smile and ready to have fun attitude.

If you have any questions about camp, please contact Christy Vien at 206.801.2645 or email [cvien@shorelinewa.gov](mailto:cvien@shorelinewa.gov). Registration questions can be answered at 206.801.2600.

We are looking forward to meeting you!

## Program Outline for 2013

The CIT program is a training and educational program, with a curriculum designed to develop the people and technical skills necessary to be an effective camp counselor. It is *not* "working" at camp. CIT is a camp for older youth wanting to develop leadership skills. *CIT's are NOT day campers nor are they camp staff.*

CIT's will attend the pre-camp training & team building each morning and then move onto spending part of the day assisting with campers and staff members. Training will consist of planning and playing games, safety training, and leadership skills. CITs assist in the administration of the program and in the execution of camp logistics such as: engaging with campers, equipment set up and take down & being role models. In addition, CITs work with the program staff to organize and conduct activities, prepare lesson plans and lead games on selected days. CIT's will also help with the following activities: welcoming campers, participating in planning and implementation of other special activities.

## Responsibilities With Campers

The CIT's will be subject to the same code of behavior and policies as regular program staff and will participate in all aspects of camp life. *Under the supervision of a senior counselor they will:*

- Make the camp a fun place to be, helping to create and plan games and activities.
- Engage pro-actively during camp activities & cleaning up
- Help provide a safe and supportive atmosphere for campers
- Help campers resolve minor conflicts (or defer to a staff member)
- Setting up, cleaning up, organizing sports equipment, art & crafts, games & other camp activities
- Interacting with, playing with and cheering on campers in a positive manner
- Filling in the middle/side of lines & helping escort campers to next rotation
- Assisting with story time & preschool activities
- Getting to know campers names & individual interests
- Play games fairly, help kids follow rules (like listening and being quiet)

CIT's will always work with a Counselor and/or the Shoreline Recreation Staff.

CIT's will work with the Recreation Staff to learn the basics of child development, programming, and supervision procedures and policies, etc.

CIT's will work with staff to develop and co-lead workshops or games.

CIT's will participate in informal and formal activities with campers.

CIT's are NOT responsible for Discipline. Always defer to a lead staff if an issue arises.

## Behavior Expectations of C.I.T.'s

- C** – Cooperate with staff and others.
- A** – Act responsibly and safely.
- R** – Respect yourself and others in Camp.
- E** – Encourage each other